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Sir:

For the possible benefit of anyone subsequently evaluating the scope and/or validity of the above patent, it is respectfully requested that the following references, cited in the corresponding Japanese Application, be placed in the file wrapper:

- 1. 09-322114 A, December 12, 1997 and English Abstract;
- 2. 09-009125 A, January 10, 1997 and English Abstract; and
- 3. Japanese Office Action, dated April 24, 2006, with an English translation thereof.

The undersigned has not reviewed the teachings of these references in detail and, thus, makes no representations concerning their relevancy or materiality.

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